



# NEWSLETTER

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Greetings!

See the face of Christ in others and be the face of Christ to others is the message the teachers are encouraging as we begin our school year. We are continuing our Advent Project and encouraging the use of gentle and encouraging words.

If we are seeing the presence of God in others and presenting Christ to others, there is no place in our school for words that tease, put down others or isolate. There is no place for inappropriate words. This is our message to and our dream for OLOR as we begin our school year. I am encouraging the children to help us and take action if they have any concerns about the words they hear. Could you please encourage them to assist us and let us know if they have any concerns.

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the Welcome Bar-B-Q on Friday night. Thanks also to those who were able to attend the Commissioning Mass on Sunday morning. It was great to see so many families and staff at both events despite the extreme heat. A special thank you to all our helpers and student leaders.

### **Some Information for you;**

Our Parent Teacher Information Night will take a different format this year. We are inviting you to a "Meet and Greet The Teachers" Evening in our new hall. Mrs Walter has organised Paul MacDonald from the Children's Bookshop to talk with us about Children and reading. Save Monday 28th Feb for this event. More information to follow.

Thank you for the feedback on the IT levy. I have set the levy at \$150 a family for this year. There were a number of comments from parents that I will respond to when I send home more information in the next couple of weeks about the levy and our technology plans. Thank you again for your feedback and as always please let us know if any fee causes you concern.

Welcome to our new and returning staff. I look forward to sharing the year ahead.

**John Spradbrow**

**Principal**

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

Wednesday 9 Feb 2011—OLOR Swimming Carnival at Waves

Friday 18 Feb 2011—OLOR Opening Mass at 9.15am / School Leaders Induction

Monday 28 Feb 2011—K-Yr 6 Wine and Cheese Night (Previously Grade Info Night)



# RELIGIOUS REFLECTION

**Sunday February 13th –  
6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary  
Time - Year A**

**Based on the Gospel**

**Matthew 5:17-37**

When Moses was leading God's people through the desert, God gave them ten rules or commandments to help the people live in God's way. In this Sunday's Gospel we hear Jesus reminding his followers of these "rules of life".

Jesus always insisted that he had not come to abolish the law but to fulfill it. One of the challenging ways he does this is to take the Ten Commandments and point out not just the letter but also the law. By the time Jesus has finished preaching, it is clear that the way of love is a demanding commitment, involving one's whole attitude and outlook as well as one's actual behaviour.

We need to respond to the law, not in terms of what is ordered or forbidden but in the most effective creative way that will meet the needs of our lives and community.

We can all learn from the wisdom of God's law revealed by Jesus. We can mould our lives on the positive commandment of love.

Nikki Callan (REC)



## LIBRARY LOOK

### *Borrowing*



All children will have had the opportunity to borrow by the end of this week. The children in grades 2-6 are also being encouraged to start borrowing books for the Premier's Reading Challenge. Students and parents cannot access the PRC login section until March so it will be necessary to just record the code or book title somewhere (homework book, diary etc) until we issue all students with their logins and passwords. We will send home all the relevant information you'll need in March.

### *Wine and Cheese Night*



Mr. Spradbrow is organising a Wine & Cheese "social" information evening on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February. I have booked Mr. Paul MacDonald, from the *The Children's Bookshop at Beecroft* to speak.

Paul has a Master of Education, having worked for almost 20 years as a teacher of Upper Primary and Secondary students. He has won numerous awards in teaching and is a regular guest speaker at many parent information evenings as well as school library conferences. His interests include the development of literacy, boys' literacy and books for adolescents. He is an interesting and engaging speaker who speaks with passion about the importance of reading and engaging children with books.



### *HERE COMES THE SUN*



Mr Spradbrow has requested that all OLOR students are to travel to and from school with their school hats on. In an effort to protect our children it would also be appreciated if sun screen could be applied at home before arriving at school. Thank you

## GENERAL NEWS

### *MEDICAL ALERTS*



***If your child is required to take medication at school, it is essential to complete a Medical Administration Form as soon as possible. These forms are available from the OLOR office.***

***Children who currently have medication administered from the office also need to complete a new Medical Administration Form for 2011. Your prompt attention to this would be greatly appreciated.***

### *Telephone System*

We have recently had a number of enquiries with regards to the OLOR telephone system.

If you are experiencing difficulty calling the school on the main telephone line **9629 2566** please try our secondary line on **9629 2937**.

Hope this is of assistance.

OLOR Office Staff



### *Deepest Sympathy*

***Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Devlin family on the recent passing of Liz's mother. May our prayers be with the family at this difficult time.***



# ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

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## *NSW Association for Gifted and Talented Children Inc*

### **SCIENCE WORKSHOP for Year 2 to Year 4**

#### **LEGO ROBOTICS**

**Saturday 19 February 2011**

**10am to 12pm**

**Dennis Johnson Library**

**Stanhope Gardens 2768**



### **SCIENCE WORKSHOP for K to Year 4**

#### **COOL SCIENCE**

**Saturday 12 March 2011**

**10am to 12pm**

**Faulconbridge Community Hall**

**Home St Faulconbridge 2776**

NSW Association for Gifted and Talented Children is a non-profit community based organisation that provides enrichment activities for children with bright enquiring minds. Our Science Workshops include a variety of different hands-on enrichment activities and provide an opportunity for children with “like minds” to work together in a fun relaxed environment. Bookings and payments are essential via the registration form on our website—[www.nswagtc.org.au/events/for-gifted-children](http://www.nswagtc.org.au/events/for-gifted-children).

### **IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Given the size of the OLOR community many important events may sometimes go unrecognised. Consequently, if you wish to place any birth celebrations, recent deaths or other significant announcements in the OLOR Newsletter could you please advise the office as soon as possible. Thank you

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**



A reminder to all parents that the **bus bay outside the OLOR gate** is in operation from **8am**. Please be mindful of this when dropping your children to school. It is also requested that **parents do not drive into the school grounds for morning drop off or afternoon pickup** (even though gates may be open). This can be extremely dangerous for our children. Thank you for your support with these matters.

## PARISH INFORMATION

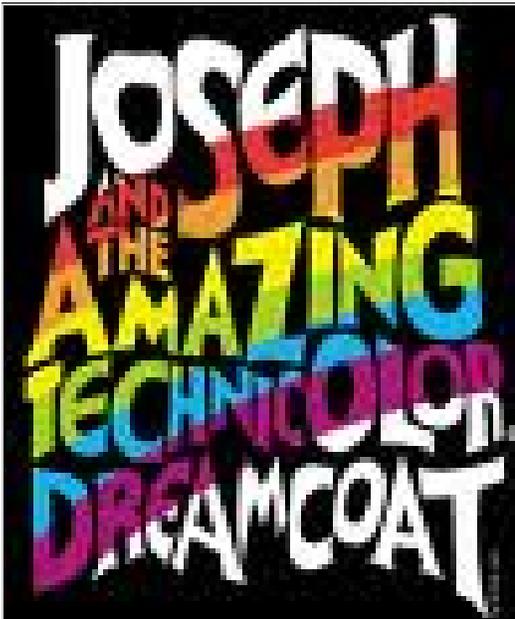
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### **CARE GROUP IN OUR PARISH**

The Care Group is an outreach to housebound parishioners and also for grieving families in our Parish Community. Sandra Huber is the liaison person and can be contacted on 9836-2807.







Please find below an advertisement for the up and coming production of JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT.

We are very pleased to announce that a number of our talented students will be performing in this production on the following dates:

*Sat 12th Feb at 2pm*

*Tues 15th Feb at 7.30pm*

*Fri 18th Feb at 7.30pm*

*Tues 22nd Feb at 7.30pm*

*Sat 26th Feb at 7.30pm (Closing)*

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### AMAZING TIME FOR STUDENTS!

It's curtain's up this week at Parramatta Riverside Theatres, as the stage bursts into life (and colour!) with the debut performance of Packemin Productions' JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT.

JOSEPH is the first musical written by dynamic musical team Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice, and is based on the biblical story of Joseph and his coat of many colours. Joseph is the favorite son of Jacob, but his siblings resent the attention Jacob showers upon him and sell him into slavery, with Joseph eventually ending up in jail. However his interpretation of the dreams of the Pharaoh win him the Pharaoh's adoration and soon Joseph is one of the most powerful men in Egypt, leading the way for a reunion with his family.

Centre stage in this production are several of our talented students, many of them taking part in their first major musical. Don't miss this fantastic production starring Australian Entertainment Icon, Barry Crocker, (and our students!) at the Parramatta Riverside Theatres from 11 February 2011. Tickets are available from the Riverside box office on 8839 3399

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## Inter-Diocesan Sport Trials 2011

Trials will be held for students wishing to represent the Parramatta Diocese at the MacKillop Inter-Diocesan Trials in a number of events. The students must be of representative level to trial and while are open in age, it is strongly recommended that only Years 5 & 6 attend. If you would like a form please ask at the school office.

Sport	Trial Date	Player Profiles due
AFL - Boys	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March 9:30am - 2pm Quakers Hill	23 <sup>rd</sup> February
Basketball - Boys & Girls	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> February 4:00pm - 5:30pm Cambridge Park	4 <sup>th</sup> February
Cricket - Boys & Girls	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> February Boys 9:30am Girls 12:00pm Rooty Hill	10 <sup>th</sup> February
Hockey - Boys & Girls	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> February 4:00pm – 5:30pm Penrith	21 <sup>st</sup> February
Netball - Girls	Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> March 12pm – 4pm Castle Hill	3 <sup>rd</sup> March
Rugby League - 11years Boys	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> March 4pm – 5:30pm Blacktown	28 <sup>th</sup> February
Rugby League - Boys	Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> March 4pm – 5:30pm Blacktown	2 <sup>nd</sup> February
Rugby Union - Boys	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> May 9:30pm – 3:00pm Plumpton	10 <sup>th</sup> May
Soccer - Girls & Boys	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February Boys 9:30 - 3:00pm Girls 4:00pm – 5:30pm Rooty Hill	15 <sup>th</sup> February  <b><i>Initial trials will be held at school as we are only allowed to send two boys and two girls – date to be notified</i></b>
Softball - Girls & Boys	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> February 4pm -5:30pm Stanhope Gardens	9 <sup>th</sup> February
Tennis - Boys & Girls	Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> February 12pm – 4pm Penrith	4 <sup>th</sup> February
Touch - Boys & Girls	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 4pm – 5:30pm St Marys	28 <sup>th</sup> March



## **OLOR/St Angela's Soccer Club – Registration for 2011 Season**

In 2011 the OLOR/St Angela's Soccer Club is again entering teams in the NSW Churches Football Association winter competition from U6 to U12.

Registration for boys and girls in these age groups is being held on:

Saturdays 12<sup>th</sup> & 19th February 2011

10.00am to 2.00pm

Tennis Room - Memorial Ave. Playing Fields, Kellyville

Fees are \$120.00. (\$100.00 if new shorts are not required).

Discount for siblings. The Club supplies jerseys & socks.

Sighting of birth certificate is required for all new players.

All new players most welcome. Priority given on a first come first serve basis where team numbers become an issue.

Enquiries: Registrar - Paul Gardiner - 0404 120 336

Website: [www.olorstangelas.com.au](http://www.olorstangelas.com.au)



***KICK INTO 2011 WITH THE  
KELLYVILLE/ROUSE HILL MAGPIES JNR AFL!!***

The Club has Auskick between 4 years to 10 years to learn AFL footy skills

(non – competition)

And squad/competition players from Under 9's to under 15-16's.

Auskick and Squad games are played on **Sundays**

*We welcome and encourage all skill levels!*

**Home grounds:** Bruce Purser Reserve (corner Commercial and Withers Roads, Rouse Hill) and

Kellyville Park (Memorial Ave, Kellyville)

**REGISTRATION FOR 2011 SEASON:**

**Auskick - \$100 and Squad players - \$140**

**29<sup>th</sup> January – Stanhope Village Gardens (outside EB Games)**

**5<sup>th</sup> February – Rouse Hill Town Centre – (Town Square) and  
Castle Towers**

**20<sup>th</sup> February - Rouse Hill Town Centre – (Town Square)**

**Direct Deposit / Eftpos and Credit Card Facilities available**

*Visit the Club website to learn more about your local junior AFL team at [www.krhjf.com.au](http://www.krhjf.com.au)*

**For information contact:**

Club Registrar -Lara Goode – 0408 955 191 - [registrar@krhjf.com.au](mailto:registrar@krhjf.com.au) ,

Club President -Keith Leggett -0419 621 550 - [president@krhjf.com.au](mailto:president@krhjf.com.au) or

Auskick Coordinator- Peter McGovern – 0414 902 870 - [auskick@krhjf.com.au](mailto:auskick@krhjf.com.au)

# PLAY HOCKEY IN 2011

Great non-contact mixed girls & boys team sport  
Small field "Minkey" games for 5-8yr olds  
Mixed junior comps U11, U13, U15  
Play on world class artificial turf facility at Pennant Hills Park  
Great for fitness as well as maintaining cricket & baseball skills



## NORTHERN DISTRICT HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

REGISTRATION DAY

SATURDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 12PM – 4PM

Pennant Hills Park, Britannia Street, Pennant Hills

For information call:

Adrian Wilson 0419 299 808

Robert Nicoll 0438 119 729

[www.ndhockey.com.au](http://www.ndhockey.com.au)

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### JOEYS, CUBS & SCOUTS:

Is your son or daughter interested in Camping, Hiking, Canoeing or other exciting outdoor activities? Are they aged between 6-14 years? If so why not come along and check out your local scout group.

For more information call John Gale on 9894 4128 (after 6:00 pm) for your closest group and meeting night in the Hills district..

### LEADERS AND ASSISTANT LEADERS

We are also looking for parents who would like to be involved with youth development as an assistant leader. Scout association training is provided. Call John Gale to discuss further on 9894 4128 after hours.

John Gale

Leader in Charge / Rover Adviser

2nd Baulkham Hills Scouts & Rovers | Jasper Rd, Baulkham Hills | \* 02 9894 4128 AH | \* 0414 980 064 Mob.



*"Growing together in faith, hope & love"*

Phone 8628-2585 Fax 8628 2499

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville  
8 Diana Avenue, (P.O. Box 21) Kellyville 2155

### **Outline of our Sacramental Program for 2011**

It is expected that all families make a commitment to the meetings of the program outlined below

#### **FIRST RECONCILIATION**

<b><u>Enrolments:</u></b>	At the following weekend Masses : March 19th at 6pm or March 20th at 9am or 11am March 26th at 6pm or March 27th at 9am or 11am
<b><u>Information Night:</u></b> (Parents only)	Tuesday 29th & Wednesday 30th March 7.30pm in St Bonaventure Hall
<b><u>Rite of Commitment:</u></b>	Sat 2nd April at 6pm or Sun 3rd April 11am Masses
<b><u>Rehearsal:</u></b>	Friday April 29th at 4pm in the Parish Church

CELEBRATION OF FIRST RECONCILIATION WILL BE ON 3rd, 4th & 5th MAY AT 7pm.

#### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

<b><u>Enrolments:</u></b>	At the following weekend Masses : May 21st at 6pm or May 22nd at 9am or 11am May 28th at 6pm or May 29th at 9am or 11am
<b><u>Information Night:</u></b> (Parents only)	Tuesday 31st May & Wednesday 1st June 7.30pm in St Bonaventure Hall
<b><u>Rite of Commitment:</u></b>	Sat 4th June at 6pm or Sun 5th June 11am Masses
<b><u>Rehearsals:</u></b>	Friday 5th, 12th & 19th August at 4pm in the Parish Church.

CELEBRATION OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION WILL BE ON  
SUNDAY 7th, 14th AND 21st AUGUST AT 11am AND 2pm.

#### **CONFIRMATION**

<b><u>Enrolments:</u></b>	At following weekend Masses : Aug 27th at 6pm & Aug 28th at 9am & 11am
<b><u>Information Night:</u></b> (Parents & Candidates)	Wednesday 31 August at 7pm in St Bonaventure Hall
<b><u>Rite of Commitment:</u></b>	Sunday 4th September 11am
<b><u>Rehearsal:</u></b>	Friday 16th September at 4pm in Parish Church.

CELEBRATION OF CONFIRMATION WILL BE ON 18th SEPTEMBER AT 11am MASS.



## **About our Sacramental Program**

**"Love grows through love"**

Taken from the Encyclical Letter On Christian Love by Pope Benedict XVI

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville's Sacramental Program is designed for children in year 3 (**First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion**) year 6 (**Confirmation**). There is flexibility with age but for young people in their teens, please ring the Parish Office on 9629-2595 and make an appointment to see Fr Joc to begin the enrolment process.

Our program will run over three school terms: with **First Reconciliation** on the 3rd, 4th and 5th of May, **First Holy Communion** Sundays on 7th, 14th and 21st August 2011 and **Confirmation** on the 18th September .

We consider it most important that parents are very much part of this journey with their children as they move towards full initiation into our Catholic community. Therefore, we require a commitment not only from each child but also from the parent/s. A large part of our program requires parental involvement with their children using a very helpful outline which requires weekly commitment.

Pope John Paul II referred to the family as a "*domestic church*" and we will endeavour to do all we can to support our sacramental families on this journey of faith with their children. Relationships are at the heart of our faith journey and we are nourished and nurtured by these life giving relationships. The main focus of our Sacramental Program is to foster these relationships through the sharing of our experiences of faith and life.